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To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Application to Change existing Mining Plan, Bear Canyon Lease Addition, Bear Canyon Mine, C/015/025, Task ID # 2292

In reviewing the summary of deficiencies for task ID # 2292 we have determined that some of the deficiencies can not be adequately addressed until the snow melts on top of Gentry Mountain. This includes the deficiencies requiring an archeological study of the area, a current raptor survey, and a ground truthing visit as wells as others. Because of this I am requesting that you extend the deadline to respond to these deficiencies until June 15, 2006.

If you have any questions, please call me at (435) 687-5238.

Thank You,

Mark Reynolds

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